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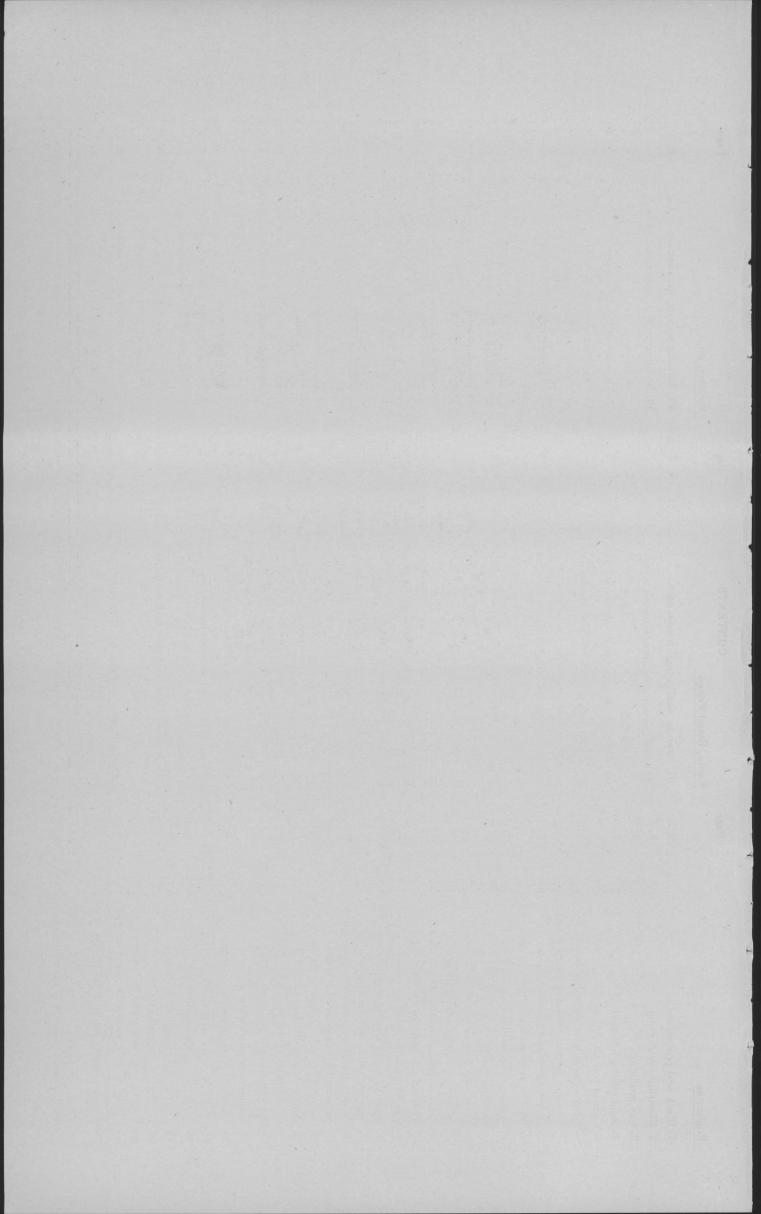
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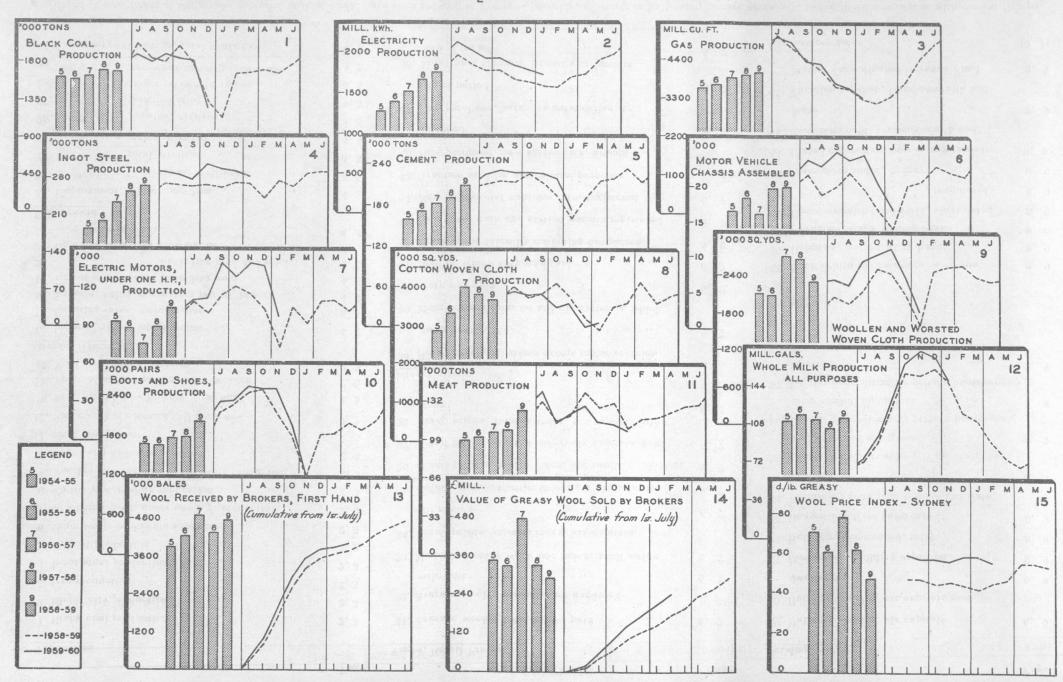
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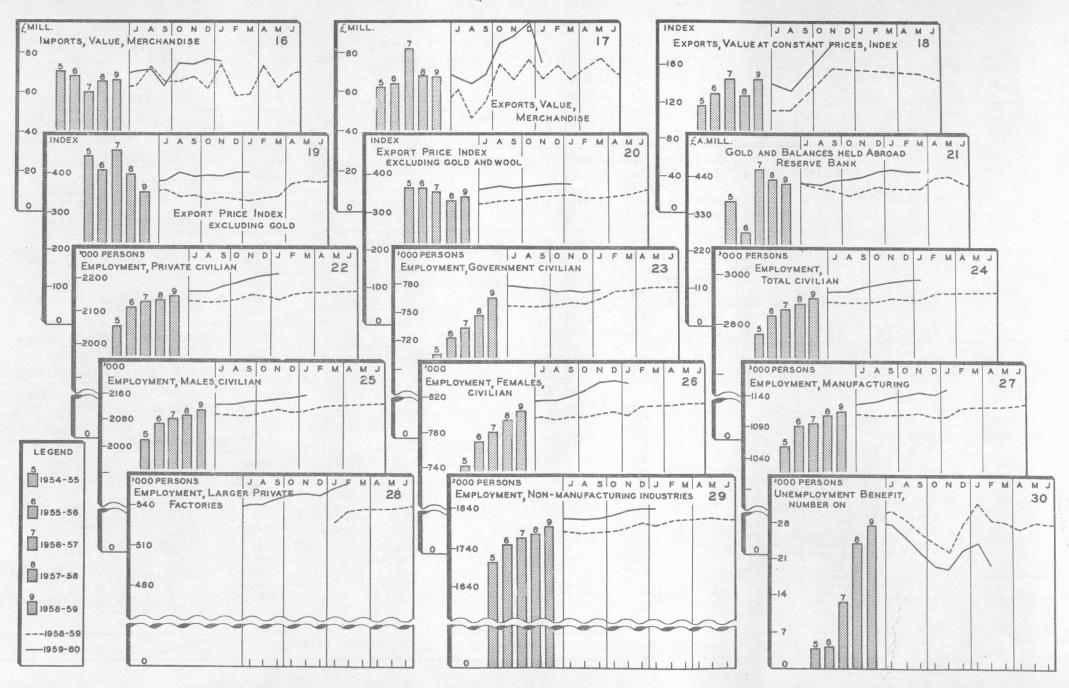
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BLACK COAL PRODUCTION	1					*1958-59		1 927	1 002	1,994	1 764	1.040	1 1 100			į.		
'000 tons	19,352	19,033	19,711	*20,362	* 20,441	*1959-60	1,909	1,812	1,913	1.994	1.764	1,349	1,133	1,660	1,673	1,720	1,690	1,80
. ELECTRICITY PRODUCTION mill, kWh.	15,172	16,675	18,289	19,796	*21,135	*1958-59 *1959-60	1,968 2,121	1.852 2,032	1.775 1.930	1.774	1,660 1,840	1,638	1,591	1,574	1,688	1.731	1.893	1,991
GAS PRODUCTION mill. cub. ft.	43,465	44,578	46,653	47,655	*48,655	*1958-59 *1959-60	5,131 †5,108	4.774 t4,919	4.431 14,433	4,147 †4,344	3,663 †3,776	3,596	3,253 3,272	3,190	3,384	3,769	4,453	4,864
INGOT STEEL PRODUCTION '000 tons	2,209	2,320	2,774	3,038	* 3,195	*1958-59 *1959-60	271 291	267 285	264 277	265 306	263 297	270 295	268 284	244	274	265	287	292
CEMENT PRODUCTION '000 tons	1,920	2,035	2,173	2,291	* 2,491	*1958-59 *1959-60	209 223	215 229	213 226	224 226	210 225	193 218	159	190	215	218	232	213
MOTOR VEHICLE CHASSIS ASSEMBLED '000	200.6	222.1	193.9	239.1	*241.3	*1958-59 *1959-60	21.5 23.9	18.9	20.1	22.0	19.7 24.6	16.8	171 14.4 16.7	20.2	20.8	23.0	22.3	21.6
ELECTRIC MOTORS, UNDER ONE H.P., PRODUCTION '000	1,123	1,055	898	1066	* 1,251	*1958-59 *1959-60		99.4 111.3	113.6	120.5 126.9	114.5 137.6	103.4 136.4	73.3	104.0	92.7	109.3	109.7	102.2
COTTON WOVEN CLOTH PRODUCTION '000 sq.yds	34,424	40,151	48,225	45,797	*44,280	*1958-59 *1959-60	4,031	3,732	3,832	4,094	3,787	3,201	2,910	3,511	3,606	4,168	3,606	3,802
WOOLLEN AND WORSTED WOVEN CLOTH PRODUCTION '000 sq. yds	25,661	25,255	32,782	32, 119	*†27,245	*1958-59 *1959-60	2,069	1,973	2,163	2,522 2,766	2,451 2,854	2,120	†1,614	2,471	2,559	2,580	2,389	2,334
BOOTS AND SHOES, PRODUCTION '0000 pairs	19,881	19,816	20,938	21,388	*24,024	*1958-59 *1959-60	2,152	2,267		2,486	2,136 2,487	1,807	1,842	1,811	1,820	1,988	1,902	2,056
MEAT PRODUCTION '600 tons	1,207.5	1,225,1	1.270.1	† 1,314.5		1958-59 *1959-60	131.51	115.8	†120.3	† 139.9	† 135.3	130.8	1,212	†117.4	†118.2	†123.4	128.5	†130.0
WHOLE MILK PRODUCTION, ALL PURPOSES - mill.gals.	1,326	1,402	1,358	1,264	*1,370	*1958-59 *1959-60	71.8	91.6 97.6	124.5	156.5	†116.2 154.4 176.9	160.4 171.4	107.5 148.2 150.7	117.4	111.3	91.3	75.2	67.1
WOOL RECEIVED BY BROKERS, FIRST HAND. Cumulative from 1st July '000 bales	3,926	4,256	4,867	4,353	4,735	1958-59 1959-60	262 296	771	1,648 1,978	2,592 2,909	3,261 3,527	3,540 3,794	3,655 3,912	3,793 4,074	4,046	4,324	4,561	4,735
VALUE OF GREASY WOOL SOLD BY BROKERS Cumulative from 1st July £ mill.	347.0	329.4	478.0	334.8	292.7	1958-59 1959-60	-	8.2 14.4	36.0 58.3	69.3 101.3	101.4	123.7 178.0	145.4	178.1	201.0	235.5	262.5	292.7
WOOL PRICE INDEX, SYDNEY d. per lb. greasy	70.1	60.7	77.9	62.1	47.5	1958-59 1959-60		‡47.0 ‡59.0	47.0 57.0	44.5 57.0	45.0 56.0	43.5	42.5 *58.0	45.0 *55.0	46.0	55.0	55.0	53.0

(a) No sales.

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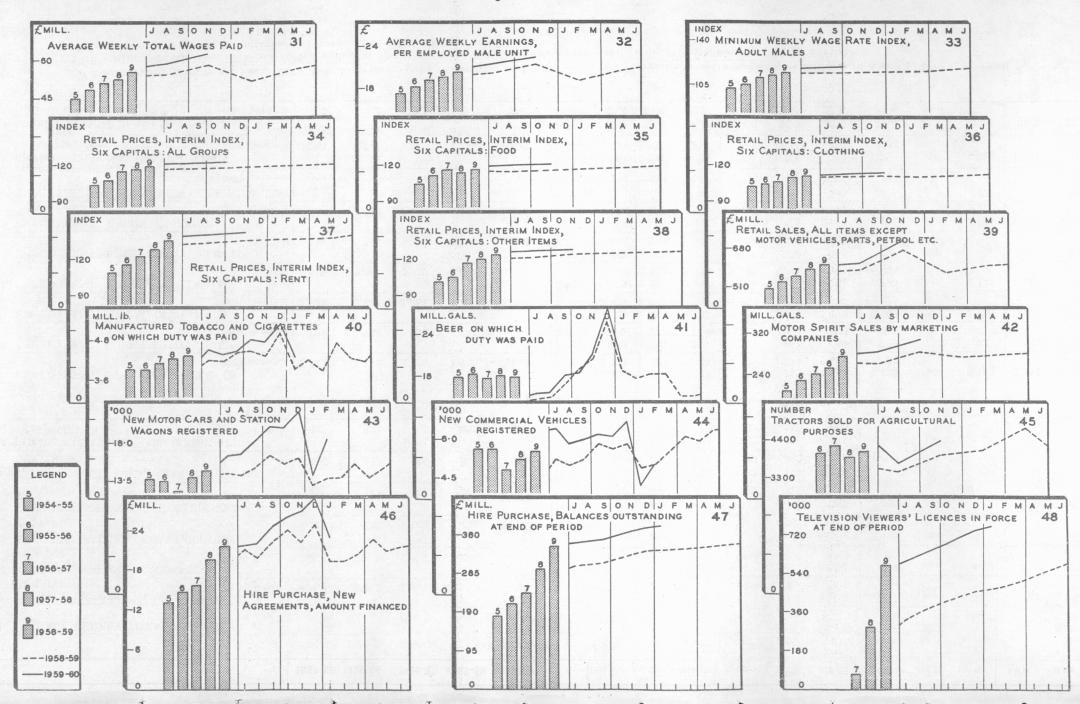
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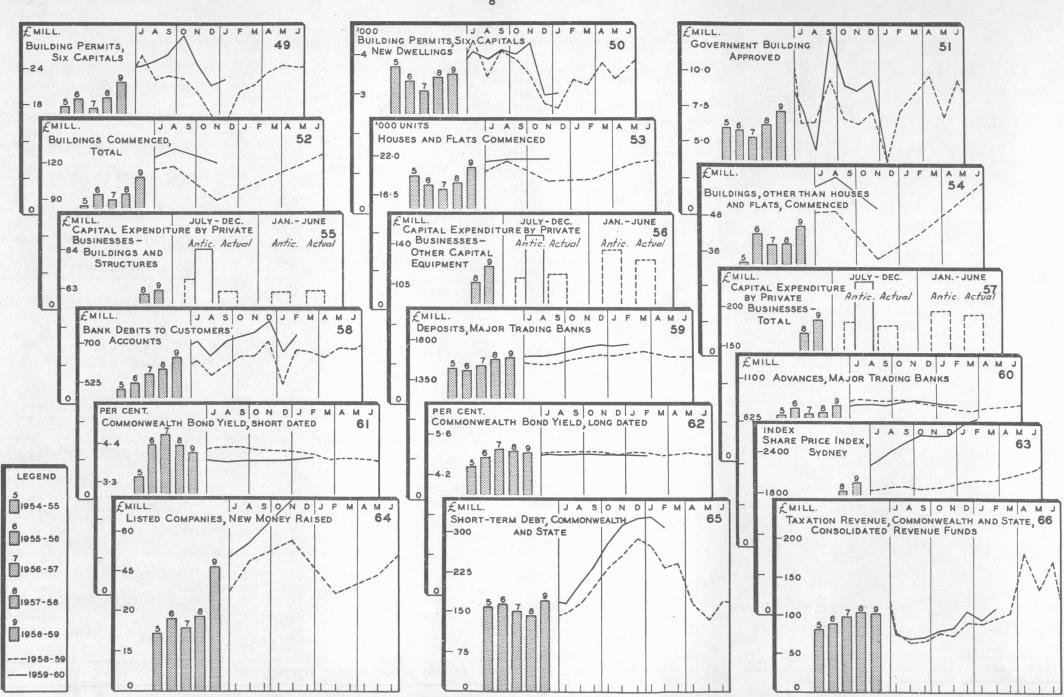
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	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59		JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	ост.	NOV.	DEC.	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE
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16. IMPORTS, VALUE, MERCHANDISE £ mill	841.0	818.3	716.7	789.3	794.4	1958-59 1959-60	1		65.5 64.0	65.5 74.5	67.5 74.2	61.9 75.9	74.4	58.5	58.9	73.1	63.1	69.3
17. EXPORTS, VALUE, MERCHANDISE £ mill	758.0	770.8	973.0	810.3	806.7	1958-59 *1959-60	61.4		55.7 69.6	74.0 85.1	66.2 88.0	75.7 96.9	66.9 74.3	73.6	66.4	72.2	76.7	70.7
18. EXPORTS, VALUE AT CONSTANT PRICES, Index (a)	115	127	143	126	*143	*1958-59 *1959-60		112 132			158 182			153			150	
19. EXPORT PRICE INDEX, EXCLUDING GOLD (b)	450	414	464	400	351	1958-59 *1959-60	361 384	342 406	343 396	337 398	342 395	337 405	334 405	339	343	*377	*381	*378
20. EXPORT PRICE INDEX, EXCLUDING GOLD AND WOOL (b)	366	366	353	332	341	1958-59 1959-60	323 362	330 369	332 363	338 367	344 369	346 374	347 374	339	339	* 342	* 349	* 357
21. GOLD AND BALANCES HELD ABROAD, RESERVE BANK(c) £ mill	367	274	465	432	421	1958-59 1959-60		407 416	399 428	387 432	397 442	411 460	406 461	406 †454	406 ‡454	437	442	421
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22. EMPLOYMENT, PRIVATE, CIVILIAN (d) '000 person	2,052	2,112	2, 125	2,133	2,142	1958-59 1959-60		2,126 2,159	2,129 2,174	2,134 2,183	2,145 2,199	2,143 2,204	2,136 *2,207	2,148	2, 153	2,154	2,155	2, 156
23. EMPLOYMENT, GOVERNMENT, CIVILIAN '000 person	s 706	724	736	747	767	1958-59 1959-60		758 777	758 776	759 774	761 775	760 774	766 *775	774	775	777	778	778
24. EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL CIVILIAN (d) '000 person	2,758	2,836	2,861	2,880	2,909	1958-59 1959-60			2,887 2,950	2,893 2,957	2,906 2,974	2,903 2,978	2,902 *2,982	2,922	2,928	2,931	2,933	2,934
25. EMPLOYMENT, MALES, CIVILIAN (d)	2,018	2,067	2,082	2,089	2,107	1958-59 1959-60			2,093 2,130	2,098 2,133	2.106 2,140	2,101 2,143	2,103 *2,149	2,114	2,117	2,121	2,122	2,123
26. EMPLOYMENT, FEMALES, CIVILIAN (d) '00	0 740	769	779	791	802	1958-59 1959-60	1	793 813	794 820	795 824	800 834	802 835	799 *8 3 3	808	811	810	811	811
27. EMPLOYMENT, MANUFACTURING '000 persons	1,057	1,089	1,093	1,106	1,113	1958-59 1959-60		1,106 1,129	1,107 1,136	1,109 1,139	1,112 1,143	1,103 1,141	1,106 *1,149	1,116	1,120	1,120	1,121	1,124
28. EMPLOYMENT, LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES '000 person	1 1	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	1958-59 19 5 9-60	(e) †539	(e) †539	(e) †543	(e) †545	(e) †546	(e) †545	† 526 551	†533 *556	† 535	†535	†535	†537
29. EMPLOYMENT, NON-MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES (d) '000 person	s 1,701	1,746	1,767	1,774	1,795	1958-59 1959-60	1 - 7 - 0 -	1,778 1,807	1,780 1,814	1,784 1,818	1,794 1,831	1,800 1,837	1,796 *1,833	1,806	1,808	1,811	1,812	1,810
30. UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT, NUMBER ON (f) *000 person	s 3.7	4.0	12.7	23.9	27.3	1958-59 1959-60		Secretary and the second	26.0 22.2	24.0	22.3	27.6 22.5	31.5	28.2	27.7	26.8	27.9	27.5

⁽a) Average, three years ended June, 1950 = 100. (b) Average, three years ended June, 1939 = 100. (c) Total international reserves were £500.0 million at 31st December, 1958, £516.4 million at 30th June, 1959, and £547.2 million at 31st December, 1959. (d) Excluding rural and female, private domestics. (e) Not available. (f) Last Saturday of month. * Preliminary. † Revised. ‡ At 16th March.



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					WAGES,	RETAIL P	PRICES											
31. AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WACES PAID £ mill.	44.7	48.9	51.6	53.3	55.7	1958-59 1959-60		54.9 58.9			58.4 62.5			52.6			56.8	
32. AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT £	17.13	18.28	19.16	19.67	20.31	19 58-5 9 19 59-6 0		0.16 1.30			21.35 22.42			19.14			20.57	
33 MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATE INDEX, ADULT MALES (a)	†101.7	† 105.8	†110.8	†112.8	†115.2	1958-59 1959-60			†114.2 †118.3			†114.3			†114.6		ide.	†117.
34. RETAIL PRICES, INTERIM INDEX. Six capitals: All Groups (b) 1952-53 = 100	103.6	108.0	114.3	115.6	118.5	1958-59 1959-60		16.9 20.5			118.3 121.5			119.0			119.7	
35. RETAIL PRICES, INTERIM INDEX, Six capitals: Food (b) 1952-53 = 100	104.6	110.6	115.8	113.7	115.9	1958-59 1959-60		14.2 18.5			115.1 118.9			116.7			117.6	
36. RETAIL PRICES, INTERIM INDEX, Six capitals: Clothing 1952-53 = 100	102.4	103.3	105.8	109.2	110.4	1958-59 1959-60		10.3 11.1			110.5 112.4			110.3			110.7	
37. RETAIL PRICES, INTERIM INDEX, Six capitals: Rent 1952-53 = 100	109.6	115.5	122.5	128.4	136.5	1958-59 1959-60		34.2 40.6			136.0 142.8			137.4			138.6	
38. RETAIL PRICES, INTERIM INDEX, Six capitals: Other items 1952-53 = 100	101.4	106.4	117.8	120.2	123.9	1958-59 1959-60		21.4 25.8		10.000 10.0000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.0000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.0000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.0000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.0000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.0000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.0000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.0000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.0000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.0000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.0000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.0000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.0000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.0000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.0000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.000 10.0000 10.000	124.5 126.9			124.7			125.2	
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39. RETAIL SALES, ALL ITEMS EXCEPT MOTOR VEHICLES, PARTS, PETROL, etc. £ mill.	2008.9	2151.4	2250.0	2343.9	2443.7	1958-59 1959-60		84.9 20.5			673.3 713.9			576.4			609.1	
40. MANUFACTURED TOBACCO AND CIGARETTES ON WHICH DUTY WAS PAID mill. lb.	46.74	46.83	49.29	50.66	51.55	1958-59 19 5 9-60	A CAN DESCRIPTION OF THE PARTY OF	4.20 4.34	4.39 4.41	4.43 4.79	4.32 4.73	5.03 5.34	3.95 4.23	4.19	3.89	4.62	4.19	4.13
41. BEER ON WHICH DUTY WAS PAID mill. gals.	213.2	217.1	210.6	215.7	214.8	1958-59 1959-60		15.0 15.5	16.8 17.9	19.1 18.2	20.5 21.0	25.8 27.6	18.7 19.9	17.7	18.3	18.3	15.0	15.0
42. MOTOR SPIRIT SALES BY MARKETING COMPANIES mill. gals	839.1	909.3	959.4	1018.7	1097.0	1958-59 1959-60	The second second	60.7 81.5			282.5 305.7			274.3			279.5	
43. NEW MOTOR CARS AND STATION WAGONS REGISTERED '000	163.0	161.7	147.3	166.2	176.3	1958-59 1959-60		14.2 16.5	15.2 18.2	16.5 20.0	15.5 19.8	16.1 21.6	12.9	13.6 18.2	13.8	15.5	13.8	14.9
44. NEW COMMERCIAL VEHICLES ETC. REGISTERED '000	67,0	67.5	58.0	61.8	66.3	1958-59 1959-60		5.0 5.8	5.2 6.0	5.8 6.3	5.6 6.1	5.8 6.6	4.9 †4.1	5.0 5.0	5.5	6.1	5.9	6.3
45. TRACTORS SOLD FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES No.	(c)	16,283	16,982	15,726	16,342	1958-59 1959-60		,502 ,783			3,975 4,379			4,097			4,768	
46. HIRE PURCHASE, NEW AGREEMENTS, AMOUNT FINANCED £ mill.	156.0-	175.4	188.8	235.4	†259.6	1958-59 1959-60	1 4.00	20.1 22.2	22.3 †24.9	24.1 †26.6	†22.5 †27.3	25.0 †29.5	19.5 *22.8	†19.6	20.4	22.6	20.8	21.5
47. HIRE PURCHASE, BALANCES OUTSTANDING at end of period £ mill.	182.8	212.9	236.4	296.6	†354.5		301.4 3 †357.9 †3		313.6 †368.8	321.2 †377.7	329.0 †387.6	338.1 †400.1	†340.9 *403.2	†342.3	†344.3	†348.7	†352.0	†354.5
48. TELEVISION VIEWERS' LICENCES IN FORCE at end of period '000	-	-	74	291	578	1958-59 1959-60		358 627	390 654	415 682	433 711	455 738	468 761	484	506	530	555	578

⁽a) Weighted average weekly wage rate, 1954 = 100. Excludes rural. (b) Includes potatoes and onions. For index excluding potatoes and onions, see Monthly Review of Business Statistics, p.27. (c) Not available. *Preliminary. † Revised.



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					BUIL	DING, E	TC.											
49. BUILDING PERMITS, Six capitals £ mill.	214.7	226.6	208.8	229.9	259.9	1958-59 1959-60	The second secon	22.3 25.2	22.9 26.2	22.2 29.3	20.0 24.5	16.5 21.3	16.0 21.9	20.2	21.4	23.5	24.6	24.2
60. BUILDING PERMITS, NEW DWELLINGS Six capitals '000 units	44.1	40.3	37.4	41.4	42.5	1958-59 1959-60		3.5 3.9	4.1 4.1	3.9 4.0	3.5 4.3	2.8 3.0	2.7	3.4	3.3	3.8	3.4	3.7
1. GOVERNMENT BUILDING APPROVED £ mill.	71.5	70.1	62.4	74.0	85.3	1958-59 1959-60		6.3	9.2 12.3	6.5 8.9	6.1 8.5	7.0 9.1	3.5	7.0	8.3	9.4	6.7	9.1
2. BUILDINGS COMMENCED, TOTAL £ mill.	339.9	376.8	359.0	380.8	431.9	1958-59 1959-60		117.1 130.3			90.3 119.0			105.1		THE CORE	119.4	
3. HOUSES AND FLATS COMMENCED '000 units	77.2	72.6	69.5	73.3	81.7	1958-59 1959-60		21.6 21.9			18.8			20.3			21.0	erinkariasioneria ering compa
4. BUILDINGS, OTHER THAN HOUSES AND FLATS, COMMENCED £ mill.	126.8	164.7	149.5	151.7	177.1	1958-59 1959-60		49.1 61.2			33.2 50.3			41.4			53.4	
55. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE, PRIVATE BUSINESSE Buildings and structures £ mill.	(a)	(a)	(a)	119.6	123.5	1958-59 1959-60		(68.3)	anticipate	ed)	61.5 a	ctual		(60.9	anticipa	ated)	62.0 a	ctual
56, CAPITAL EXPENDITURE, PRIVATE BUSINESSES Other capital equipment £ mill.	(a)	(a)	(a)	214.2	241.9	1958-59 1959-60	The second	(111.6	anticipat	ted)	114.7 a	ctual		(134.9	anticip	ated)	127.2 a	ectual
7. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE, PRIVATE BUSINESSES Total £ mill.	(a)	(a)	(a)	333.8	365.4	1958-59 1959-60		(179.9 (233.2	anticipat	ed)	176.2 s	ctual		(195.	8 anticip	ated)	189.2 a	ctual
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⁽a) See notes, page 10. (b) Excludes debits to Australian Government accounts at City Branches. (c) Average, three years ended June, 1939 = 1000.

(d) Redeemable in Australia. At end of period. *Preliminary. † Revised.

10. EXPLANATORY NOTES

<u>Item</u>	For further reference see below, publication No.		For further reference see below, public- ation No.
1	17	39. Figures relate to retail sales of goods (as distinct from services,	
2. Total generated, including electricity not for sale	17	repairs, accommodation, entertainment, meals, etc.) by establishments	
3. Total produced in gas works	17	which normally sell goods by retail to the general public from shops,	
4. Includes recovery from scrap. Annual figures year ended May	17	rooms, kiosks and yards	7
5. Portland cement	23	40-41. Figures include customs clearances as well as local production on	
5. Portland cement	19		-
7. Includes those made and incorporated by manufacturers in their own products.	18.	which excise duty was paid	
8. Includes mixtures predominantly of cotton	20	Source: Department of National Development	_
9. Includes mixtures predominantly of wool	21	43-44. Registrations passed through central registration authorities. Includes	
10. Includes sandals and moulded plastic footwear but not slippers, sand shoes,		all government-owned vehicles other than Defence Services	24,25
goloshes or rubber gum boots	22.	45. Excludes tractors of less than 10 maximum belt pulley horsepower (wheeled)	
11. In terms of fresh meat (bone-in weight). Total production including estimates for		and 10 maximum draw-bar horsepower (crawler) e.g. small garden tractors	8
meat produced from animals slaughtered on farms	14	46-47. Figures relate to agreements, in respect of retail sales, made by finance	
12	11	businesses which are not themselves retailers. Outstanding balances include	
13. Source: National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia. Bales received		hiring charges and insurance	26
into selling brokers' stores for disposal, excluding quantities received for re-sale.	-	48.	15
14. The value of wool sold, at auction and privately by wool selling brokers, including		49-50. Building permits granted by local government authorities. Excludes	
wool carried over and sold and also wool resold,	-	government buildings, except those erected under government home-building	
15. Average price which a N.S.W. clip of constant average quality would realize if sold		schemes where permits are obtained from local government authorities	15
at the level of prices obtaining in the specified month. Annual prices are averages		51. Contracts let or day-labour work commenced. Excludes government buildings	
of monthly prices weighted by quantity of greasy wool sold in month in N.S.W. They		erected under government home-building schemes where permits are obtained	
are not therefore average auction prices for the year	27	from local government authorities	15
1'-17. Excludes bullion and specie. F.o.b. port of shipment.	16		10
18. The index is calculated by revaluing quantities at the average unit values for	10	52. Estimated value of buildings on completion, excluding land.	3
[1	53. Excludes conversions to flats	4,15
	13	54. See 52 above	3
19-20	10	55-57. Statistics are from returns showing actual expenditure for previous half-year	
of month	g	and anticipated expenditure for next half-year, obtained from private businesses	
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22,24-26. Excludes permanent defence forces in Australia or overseas, and National		subject to Pay-roll Tax (other than rural, professional, gas and electricity), from	
Service Trainees in camp. Based on annual Factory Censuses, returns of	10	government banks and airlines, and from other businesses undertaking projects	
Government employment, Pay-roll Tax returns and other direct collections.	12	of more than £250,000 in any half-year. Figures with slightly different coverage	
23. Includes all government employees in Australia (Commonwealth, State and		are available for years 1953-54 to 1956-57 inclusive	2
Local) employed on services such as railways, post office, etc., as well as	12	58. Monthly averages of weekly figures. Debits to government accounts at city	
administrative employees	12		.,
27. Figures for periods to June, 1958 are based on the results of annual Censuses		branches are excluded. Figures relate to all cheque-paying banks the Commonweal	lth
of Factories, From July, 1958 the figures are preliminary estimates based on	10	Development Bank and the Rural Credits Department of the Reserve Bank	9
Pay-roll Tax returns	12		
28. Survey conducted jointly with Department of Labour and National Service, 29. See 22 above	12 12	59-60. Monthly and annual averages of weekly figures of the Commonwealth Trading	
	17	Bank and the seven private trading banks.	

 30. Excludes persons receiving sickness benefit and persons receiv special benefits paid to migrants in reception and training centres. 31. Derived from employment and wages recorded on Pay-roll Tax redirect monthly collections and from estimates of the unrecorded of members of the armed forces is not included. 32. Male units represent total male employment and a proportion of femployment based on the approximate ratio of female to male early as a based on averages of wage rates for a full week's work (excludit obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements. of each index number is the weighted average weekly wage for Assac For detailed information about the weighting pattern and covainterim Index, see Chapter I of Labour Report No. 46 	es turns, other balance. Pay emale mings ng overtime) The base sustralia.	12 12 12 12,15,28 5	 61-62. Short-dated, estimated for 2-year securities from rates on securities maturing in 0-5 years; long-dated, 10 or more years. Figures relate to last Wednesday in the month. Source: Reserve Bank. 63. Average of monthly prices per £ of paid-up capital, 75 companies, adjusted for changes in capital structure. As published by Deputy Commonwealth Statistician, Sydney. 64. Companies listed on Australian stock exchanges. New money raised is the net amount of cash transferred from the investing public to the issuing companies. The investing public includes banks and life insurance companies (except when subscribing to issues by associated companies) and government and private superannuation funds, but excludes other government agencies. 65. Excludes overdrafts and internal Treasury Bills 66. Excludes taxation collections paid direct to Trust Funds, e.g. motor taxes. 	15 15,27 6 15 —
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